


**8-42. Solid Waste Management Plans Assistance (1200 TN 350 8-42)**

1. **AUTHORITY.** To approve grants and cooperative agreements for projects related to solid waste management (including municipal solid waste, industrial waste, medical waste, commercial solid waste and any other non-hazardous waste). These funds can be awarded to the following types of non-profits entities: public agencies and institutions; and private agencies, institutions and individuals. These projects can include the following activities, as authorized under Section 8001(a) of the Solid Waste Disposal Act: research, investigations, experiments, training, surveys, demonstrations, public education programs and studies relating to:
  - a. Any adverse health and welfare effects of the release into the environment of material present in solid waste, and methods to eliminate such efforts;
  - b. The operation and financing of solid waste management programs;
  - c. The planning, implementation and operation of resource recovery and resource conversation systems and hazardous waste management systems, including the marketing of recovered resources;
  - d. The production of usable forms of recovered resources, including fuel, from solid waste;
  - e. The reduction of the amount of such waste and unsalvageable waste materials;
  - f. The development and application of new and improved methods of collecting and disposing of solid waste and processing and recovering materials and energy from solid wastes;
  - g. The identification of solid waste components and potential materials and energy recoverable from such waste components;
  - h. Small scale and low technology solid waste management systems; including but not limited to, resource recovery separation systems;
  - i. Methods to improve the performance characteristics of resources recovered from solid waste and the relationship of such performance characteristics to available and potentially available markets for such resources;
  - j. Improvements in land disposal practices for solid waste (including sludge) which may reduce the adverse environmental effects of such disposal and other aspects of solid waste disposal on land, including means for reducing the harmful environmental effects of earlier and existing landfills, means for restoring areas damaged by earlier or existing landfills, means for rendering landfills safe for purposes of construction and other uses, and techniques of recovering materials and energy from landfills;
  - k. Methods for the sound disposal of, or recovery of resources, including energy from sludge (including sludge from pollution control and treatment facilities, coal slurry pipelines, and other sources);

- l. Methods of hazardous waste management, including methods of rendering such waste environmentally safe; and
  - m. Any adverse effects on air quality (particularly in regard to the emission of heavy metals) which result from solid waste which is burned (either alone or in conjunction with other substances) for purposes of treatment, disposal or energy recovery.
2. **TO WHOM DELEGATED.** Associate director, Office of RCRA Programs, Land and Chemicals Division (LCD).
3. **LIMITATIONS.** None.
4. **REDELEGATION AUTHORITY.**
  - a. These authorities may be redelegated to the associate director level and no further. These authorities may not be redelegated without formal amendment.
  - b. An official who redelegates an authority retains the right to exercise or withdraw the authority. Redelegated authority may be exercised by any official in the chain of command down to the official to whom it has been specifically redelegated.
5. **ADDITIONAL REFERENCES.**
  - a. 2 CFR Part 200
  - b. 2 CFR Part 1500
  - c. 40 CFR Part 33

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